State Government have on several occasions requested the Central Government for a substantial increase in power supply; and

(b) if so, what assistance the Central Government have rendered to the State to cope with its power shortage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In order to mitigate the power shortage in Jammu and Kashmir, assistance has been given to J&K as given below:—

(in Lakh Units/day)

Month	Average assistance
May, 1985	0·08
June, 1985	3·63
July, 1985	1·67
August, 1985 . . .	5·19
September, 1985 . . .	10·69
October, 1985 . . .	14·63

Oil Refinery at Mangalore

2. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was a proposal to set up an oil refinery at Mangalore;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) what is the present state of that proposal; and

(d) what decision Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) to (d) Govt. have under consideration a proposal to set up a refinery at Mangalore, in Karnataka State, of a capacity of six million tonnes per annum. During the exercise made for financing of the Seventh Plan, it was noticed that a shortfall in resources for public sector outlays in the plan was acting as a constraint. Government have, therefore, decided to explore the possibilities of setting up the refinery as a joint venture. Some private parties have shown interest in participating in such a joint venture. The offers received from such parties are being examined.

Cycle Corporation of India

3. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cycle Corporation of India Limited has also been running at a loss since its nationalisation;

(b) whether the workers' unions have submitted representations suggesting some steps which would make the company viable; and

(c) if so, what are the details of those suggestions and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The main suggestions made by the Trade Unions related to induction of a strong management, better material management and inventory control, optimum utilisation of

machinery, procurement of quality materials, avoidance of waste, proper utilisation of Government financial assistance, introduction of proper purchase procedures, improvement of human relations with the workers, proper control over stores and spares, improvement of industrial and economic management, optimum utilisation of anciliaries divisions at Kalyani and doing away with the system of farming out components, reorientation of marketing division etc. Government have taken note of all these points. Since this undertaking has to compete with better organised units in the private sector with wage levels which are almost 2-1/2 times lower the new Chairman and Managing Director of the Corporation is appraising various measures to improve the economic viability of this undertaking.

Participation of financial Institutions in Units

4. SHRIMATI ILA BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of equity participation by Government and financial institutions in various units of the Department of Heavy Industry during the period 1982-85, unit-wise and year-wise details thereof;

(b) the total amount of loans given by Government and financial institutions to such units during the same period, unit-wise and year-wise; and

(c) out of the loans given to such units what amount, if any, is interest-free and for what period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) A statement is attached.

Statement

(a) The total amount of equity participation by Government and financial institutions in rious Public Sector Undertakings under the control of the erstwhile Department Heavy Industry during 1982-85 is given below :

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Public Sector Undertakings	Total equity participation as on 31st March					
	Government			Financial Institutions		
	1983	1984	1985	1983	1984	1985
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. HMT Limited, Bangalore	3731·50	3731·51	3731·51	..	..	..
2. Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. . .	20321	22921	24476	..	..	..
3. Engineering Projects India Ltd., . .	782	782	782	..	..	..
4. Hoogly Dock & Port Engineers Ltd. (Calcutta) Taken over by Government on 28-6-84)	..	..	672·5	..	..	..
5. Braithwaite & Co. Ltd., Calcutta . . .	83	133	215·20	..	..	..